

Application No. 09/316,725  
Amendment dated March 16, 2005

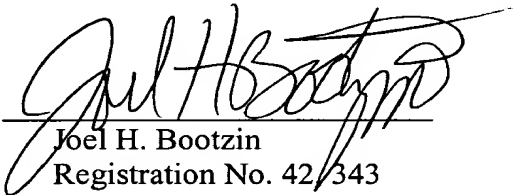
**REMARKS**

Applicant files an RCE for entry of this amendment. The application stands with claims 1-3, 6-10, 12-16, 19, 21-23 and 29-30 where claims 1 and 29-30 are independent. Herein, claims 5, 11, 17-18, 20 and 25-28 are presently cancelled, claims 1 and 19 are amended, and claims 29 and 30 are new.

Applicant respectfully requests that the amended and new claims be entered before action on the merits, and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney in order to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

FITCH, EVEN, TABIN & FLANNERY

By:   
Joel H. Bootzin  
Registration No. 42/343

Dated: March 16, 2006

120 South LaSalle St., S/1600  
Chicago, IL 60603-3406  
Telephone: 312 577 7000  
Facsimile: 312 577 7007